TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 33377-00 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/US99/09486 April 29, 1999 ETOE OF INVENTION VACCINES CONTAINING RECOMBINANT PILIN AGAINST NEISSERIA GONORRHOEAE OR NEISSERIA MENINGITIDIS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US METCALF, Thomas N. III, ZAGURSKY, Robert J. and OOI, Peggy Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay 3. examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. 4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2)) is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). has been transmitted by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. 7. A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) 8. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. 🗆 have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. 🔲 have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. 10. \boxtimes An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 11. \boxtimes A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. \Box A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 14. 15. A FIRST preliminary amendment. \Box A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 16. Declaration of Alan M. Gordon re-17. \Box A substitute specification. deposits Sequence Listing Diskette & Rule 1.821(f) 18. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. \boxtimes 19. Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail 20. Other items or information: Assignment and Assignment Recordal /2000 LLANIIGRA 00000011 011300 **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R.. 1.10** 09674368 04 F(1:581 40.00 CH I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date written below in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL704979635US addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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- 2. Attached to this Declaration is what I am informed and I believe is a true copy of a Receipt dated February 6, 1998 of a deposit of biological material made by Applicants, which is relevant to the above-captioned application, namely samples of Escherichia coli strain K12, TOP10F', harboring plasmid PBCC1166, said deposit having been made on January 27, 1998, with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852. The deposit was tested and found to be viable on January 30, 1998, and was accorded accession number ATCC 98637 by the ATCC.
- 3. Also attached to this Declaration is what I am informed and I believe is a true copy of a Receipt dated April 22, 1999 of a deposit of biological material made by Applicants, which is relevant to the above-captioned application, namely samples of Escherichia coli strain K12, TOP10F', harboring plasmid pPX8017, PBCC8017, said deposit having been made on April 16, 1999, with the ATCC, 10801 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110-2209 (the ATCC moved its location between the making of the first and second deposits). The deposit was tested and found to be viable on April 22, 1999, and was accorded accession number ATCC 207199 by the ATCC.

- Authority under the Budapest Treaty. The deposits ATCC 98637 and 207199 have thus been accepted by an International Depository Authority under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty. In accordance with the terms of the Budapest Treaty, all restrictions upon the availability to the public of the two deposited materials will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of a patent on this application and the deposits will be replaced if viable samples cannot be dispensed by the depository. The deposited materials will be maintained for a period of at least 30 years after the date of deposit, or five years after the most recent request for a sample, whichever is longer.
- 5. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the instant patent application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Wyeth Lederle Vaccines Attn: Robert Zagursky, Ph.D. 211 Bailey Road West Henrietta, NY 14564

Deposited on Behalf of: American Cyanamid Company, subsidiary of American Home Products Corporation

Identification Reference by Depositor:

ATCC Designation

Escherichia coli K12, TOP10F', harboring plasmid pPX8017, PBCC8017

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The deposit was accompanied by: ___ a scientific description X a proposed taxonomic description indicated above.

The deposit was received April 16, 1999 by this International Depository Authority and has been accepted.

AT YOUR REQUEST: X We will inform you of requests for the strain for 30 years.

The strain will be made available if a patent office signatory to the Budapest Treaty certifies one's right to receive, or if a U.S. Patent is issued citing the strain, and ATCC is instructed by the United States Patent & Trademark Office or the depositor to release said strain.

If the culture should die or be destroyed during the effective term of the deposit, it shall be your responsibility to replace it with living culture of the same.

The strain will be maintained for a period of at least 30 years from date of deposit, or five years after the most recent request for a sample, whichever is longer. The United States and many other countries are signatory to the Budapest Treaty.

The viability of the culture cited above was tested April 22, 1999. On that date, the culture was viable.

International Depository Authority: American Type Culture Collection, Manassas, VA 20110-2209 USA.

Signature of person having authority, to represent ATCC:

Barbara M. Hailey, Administrator, Patent Depository

Date: April 22, 1999

cc: Alan M. Gordon (Ref. 33,377 PCT)